

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 1 above the heading "FIELD OF THE INVENTION", which was previously added in a Preliminary Amendment dated January 9, 2004, with the following paragraph:

-- ~~This~~The present application is a divisional application of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/525,543, filed March 14, 2000, entitled SYSTEM FOR MONITORING CONNECTION PATTERN OF DATA PORTS, which issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,684,179 on January 27, 2004, the contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference. --

In the Detailed Description of the Invention:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 8, line 15 with the following paragraph:

-- Now referring to FIG. 2, a plurality of RJ45 sockets is shown which are standard sockets which mate with a standard RJ45 jack. The sockets may be ports for a network equipment such as a 10 Base-T hub, PABX, and key-phone system, or may be part of a patch panel, though a special patch panel is not required for a successful operation of the present system. To provide a contact point for the external contact 8 of the adaptor jacket 7, an adapter board 14 is provided above the sockets 12 with each of the sockets 12 having a socket contact 15 adjacent thereto. The socket contact 15 is positioned such that when the RJ45 jack 5 having the adaptor jacket 7, as shown in FIG. 1B, is inserted into a socket 12 of FIG. 2, the contact 8 of the adaptor jacket 7 electrically mates with the socket contact 15 of the adapter board 14. Although here the adapter board 14 is shown to carry a plurality of socket contacts 15, it is entirely possible, and sometimes desirable, to have an adapter board 14 which carries only one socket contact which is used on a single isolated socket. --